

# **METHOD AND STRUCTURE FOR EFFICIENT ASSESSMENT AND PLANNING OF SOFTWARE PROJECT EFFORTS INVOLVING EXISTING SOFTWARE**

## **ABSTRACT**

5           A method (and structure) of estimating a cost related to at least one of  
computer software development, maintenance, and information technology  
services. A section of computer code is read in accordance with a sampling  
technique. The cost for a larger subset of the computer code is calculated from  
the sampling. At least one of the reading, sampling, and calculating is executed  
10       on a computer.

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